

What we do is important to Kentucky and it's under attack!

Although higher education can be expensive, KHEAA and The Student Loan People help thousands of Kentuckians pursue a college education or technical training each year. We are committed to removing financial obstacles that prevent students from achieving their higher education goals.

We reinvest our revenue in Kentucky students. Unlike for-profit student loan providers, students are our primary shareholders. Today, we fund a variety of free student aid programs and services without the use of public money. Besides the economic benefit to the Commonwealth, we make a positive difference in the lives of countless Kentuckians every year.

We provide Kentuckians a wide range of financial aid programs and services with revenue generated from administration of the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP). Participation by postsecondary institutions in our programs ensures maximum revenues are earned which can be reinvested in Kentucky students.

Several federal student aid proposals have recently been introduced that, if passed in their current form, will be detrimental to Kentucky students and their families. While these proposals may be well intended, they do not recognize the difference between for-profit and nonprofit lenders and the important role that nonprofit student loan providers play in the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP).

Federal proposals such as the College Student Relief Act (H.R. 5), the President's FY2008 Budget Proposal, the Student Debt Relief Act (S. 359) and the Student Aid Reward (STAR) Act **could cost Kentucky more than \$100 million** over the next five years!

What does this mean to you and other Kentucky counselors? Potential loss of student aid programs and services; loss of borrower benefits, including Best in Class benefits for Kentucky teachers, counselors and librarians; loss of comprehensive outreach services, including *Getting In* and other publications; elimination of nine regional outreach counselors, GoHigherKY.org website, the College Info Road Show, counselor newsletters and our ability to sponsor professional development conferences and activities for educational professionals. The millions of dollars in benefits and services we provide cannot be made up elsewhere.

We urge you to contact your congressmen and senators to let them know how important the services are that KHEAA and The Student Loan People provide to you and Kentucky students and ask that the pending federal proposals be changed so that nonprofit student loan providers are not harmed. But you must act now.

For more information on these proposals and their impact on services we provide, contact Jo Carole Ellis, Director of Government Relations, at (502) 696-7442 or e-mail jcellis@kheaa.com.

KHEAA/STUDENT LOAN PEOPLESM REVENUE - WHERE IT COMES FROM

Student Loan Guarantees

Student Loan Servicing

Student Loan Ownership

WHERE IT GOES - KENTUCKY STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

COST-FREE ADMINISTRATION OF STATE STUDENT AID PROGRAMS

Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES)

College Access Program (CAP) Grant

Kentucky Tuition Grant (KTG)

Teacher Scholarship

Osteopathic Medicine Scholarship

Kentucky National Guard Tuition Award

Early Childhood Development Scholarship

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship

Mary Jo Young Scholarship

KHEAA Work-Study Program

Kentucky's Affordable Prepaid Tuition (KAPT)

Kentucky Education Savings Plan Trust (KESPT)

ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR STATE STUDENT AID AWARDS

Kentucky National Guard Tuition Award

KHEAA Work-Study Program

Mary Jo Young Scholarship

COST-FREE ADMINISTRATION OF FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS

Stafford, PLUS, and Consolidation

Zero-Fee Student Loans

Principal/Interest Rate Reductions for On-time/Automatic Payments

Borrower Advocates and Other Default Prevention Initiatives

LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS

Best in Class for Teachers

Best in Care for Nurses

Best in Law for Public Service Attorneys

MULTIFACETED OUTREACH SERVICES

Internet Tools and Websites

Nine Regional Outreach Counselors Assigned Around the State

College Info Road Show Mobile College Planning Classroom

College/Financial Aid Publications for Students of All Ages

Promote Your School Scholarship Essay Contest

Counselor Newsletters

Parent/Student Newsletters

Customer Care Call Center

All General Fund appropriations received by KHEAA go directly to students in the form of awards. Kentucky Lottery revenue funds the vast majority of state student aid awards disbursed by KHEAA. Federal LEAP/SLEAP Funds, Coal Severance Tax, Tobacco Settlement Funds, Federal Funds, Civil Penalties under KRS 199.990, and Student Loan People revenue transfers fund the remainder. Neither KHEAA nor The Student Loan People receives General Fund appropriations for administration.

Report details Outreach activities for FY2006

The *Outreach Annual Report FY2006* is now available. This report includes information about our nine regional outreach counselors, provides a breakdown of contacts made and materials distributed and highlights selected partnerships and activities.

Information about the College Info Road Show, which visits schools and other sites, and GoHigherKY.org is also featured.

If you would like to request a copy of the *Outreach Annual Report* or schedule a visit from the outreach staff, please contact Outreach Services Assistant Summer Gortney by calling 502.696.7377 or by e-mailing sgortney@kheaa.com.



2007-2008 Robert C. Byrd Scholars

The Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship is a federally funded program that provides scholarships to academically talented high school seniors and GED recipients who show promise of continued excellence in postsecondary education. School officials and adult education providers recommend eligible students. KHEAA congratulates the following students selected to receive the \$1,500 Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship:

Student Name	High School
	Adair County
Brittany Frasure	Allen Central
	Anderson County
Alexandra Sack	Assumption
Elizabeth Reed	Assumption
Leah Vanderwerp	Ballard
Joshua Keller	Ballard
Nicholas Riley	Ballard
	Beechwood
Richard Taing	Bowling Green
	Boyle County
Blaze Johnson	Bryan Station
	Central
Christopher Prather	Central Hardin
Zachary Strickland	Christian Academy
	of Louisville
	Corbin
	Covington Catholic
	Covington Holy Cross
	Daviess County
	Dawson Springs
	East Ridge
	Evangel Christian School
•	Fairview
	Fleming County
	Graves County
	Grayson County
	Greenup County
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Student Name	High School
David Sarkisian	_
James Staben	Henry Clay
Bailey Johnson	Henry Clay
Kayla Burgess	Hickman County
William Cartwright	
Kelsey Tamayo	John Hardin
Beth Slone	Johnson Central
John Boone	Lexington Christian
Mollie Lair	Lincoln County
Alissa Ellis	Lincoln County
Rebecca Choudhury	
Katherine McCabe	Louisville Male
Mark Jenne	Louisville Trinity
Christopher Nold	Louisville Trinity
Thomas Noel	Louisville Trinity
Emily Erwin	
Brittney Utley	Mercy Academy
Emily Crabtree	Mercy Academy
Jennifer Brooks	Middlesboro
Adam Price	Middlesboro
Lucas Spicer	
Ashley Buchanan	
Ashleigh Whitehead	Muhlenberg North
Colleen McCoy	Murray High School
Brandon Akers	Nelson County
Daniel Moore	Nelson County
Nicholas Gowen	Nelson County
Brittany Adams	Newport

Student Name	
Rebecca Grout	Notre Dame Academy
Kasey Porter	
Calvin Riney	Owensboro Catholic
Miriam Muscarella	Paducah Tilghman
Laura Fields	
Hunter Davis	Paul G. Blazer
Tierney Stromberg	
Kenisha Webb	Pike Central
Alice Weaver	Rowan County
Jessica Robinson	Rowan County
Eric Gross	Russell
Jordan Brown	Russell County
Robert Sindorf	Russellville
Elizabeth Youngblood	Sayre
Jamie Hofmeister	Sayre
Michael Delfina	Shawnee
Jane Hinkle	Shelby County
Laura Zimmerman	
Molly Merrick	Southwestern Pulaski
Kyle Duffy	
Lindsay Cahill	St. Henry
Andrew Carroll	St. Henry
Peter Wallenhorst	St. Henry
Matthew Schueler	St. Xavier
John Smith	St. Xavier
Kevin McLendon	•
James Chapman	University Heights
Joye Spinks	



Reminder KEES end-of-year information needs to be submitted to KHEAA before June 30.

2006 KEES Data Report available online

KHEAA is pleased to announce the release of the 2006 Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) Data Report, available on our website at http://www.kheaa.com/serv_reports.html. The report contains 29 tables detailing the number and amount of KEES awards earned by and disbursed to Kentucky students to help pay higher education expenses. Data is presented by high school attended, grade level, county and school district, GPA, ACT score, postsecondary institution attended, race, gender, and other variables. We hope you will find this report informative and helpful. If you have questions, please contact KHEAA's Policy Analysis Group at (502) 638-7471 or mletteer@kheaa.com.



Students, parents need to be wary of scam artists

Parents of college-bound students are probably hearing lots of sales pitches from companies that promise to help them find financial aid to pay for college.

There's no need to pay for this kind of information. It can be obtained FREE by consulting with a guidance counselor, checking out sources in the library, doing free online scholarship searches or contacting the financial aid office of the college students plan to attend. GoHigherKY.org, the state's one-stop college planning website, also offers a free scholarship search.

If parents decide to use a company to help them find financial aid, they should make sure they're dealing with a reputable one. The Federal Trade Commission cautions students to be especially skeptical about scholarship search companies and websites that make these claims.

- "You've been selected by a national foundation to receive a scholarship." Check with The Foundation Center at www.fdncenter.org to find out if the foundation is legitimate. Students should be especially wary if they're notified that they're a finalists in a scholarship contest they didn't enter.
- "We'll do all the work." It's highly unlikely that the company will fill out all the applications for all the financial aid sources it sends parents and students.
- "I just need your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship." Students and parents should never give these numbers to a person or company they're not sure about. They could find their credit card maxed out and their bank account cleaned out.
- "This scholarship will cost some money." Some legitimate scholarships do have up-front fees, but they shouldn't be more than \$5 or \$10.
- "You're guaranteed to get money for college or your money back." Read the fine print. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.



